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AUTOMATED SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CHECK AMOUNT ENCODING AT A POINT-OF-SALE

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An automated check encoding system (200) at a pointof-sale includes a point-of-sale register (202) for
determining a transaction amount, and an input device (208)

5 coupled to the point-of-sale register (202) for receiving
the transaction amount and determining a check amount in
response to receiving an input from a user. A check
encoder (204) is coupled to the point-of-sale register
(202) and the input device (208) for receiving the check
10 amount and encoding the check amount in a machine-readable
format at a predetermined location (310) on a blank check
(210).